

Preparedness at a Glance

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On the RADAR: Upcoming Deliverables

The purpose of this rotating list of the upcoming deliverables is to serve as a reminder of the tasks local health departments need to complete. Since many of the deliverables are due by the end of the fiscal year – June 30, 2014, our goal is to encourage LHDs to develop a plan on how you will work on the deliverables throughout the year.

Core Deliverables

• **Joint Meetings**

- Participate in Joint Meetings, Conference and ITVs.
- The next ITV is scheduled for May 14, 2014 1:30 – 3:30
- The next Face Joint meeting will be part of the ESF8 Conference June 9 – 11 in Louisville.

• **Training/Exercises**

- Each LHD shall determine appropriate staff needed during a response to a public health emergency or disaster and assure staff receives required training based on Training Matrix. Due **by June 30, 2014**
- LHD will design, conduct, participate, and evaluate exercises (including drills) in accordance with HSEEP and KDPH guidelines. Due **by June 30, 2014**

• **Inventory**

- Local Health Departments shall inventory PHEP/HPP purchased assets, inventory shall include assets valued over 500 dollars or pilferable items. Due semiannually December 31, 2013 and **June 30, 2014**

MRC Deliverables

• **Medical Reserve Corps Tasks**

- The MRC unit must complete the listed tasks to maintain MRC unit status with the Division of Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps (DCVMRC) and to retain 823 funding from the state for said MRC unit. The following tasks help to maintain the MRC unit and volunteer recruitment and retention. Contact: Heather.Walls@ky.gov for more information.

HPP Deliverables

• **HPP Planning**

- Set strategic goals and activities for the region by working with the Center for Performance Management. Form a strategic planning workgroup and schedule time with Center for Performance Management to facilitate and develop a Strategic Plan. Due **June 30, 2014**

Deliverable Highlight – LHDs will update their Inventory of Preparedness Assets

To meet this deliverable the LHDs shall update their inventory from December with any new purchases of assets with PHEP/HPP monies. The updated inventory must be uploaded into Catalyst by June 20, 2014. Any item valued over 500 dollars or pilferable items should be included.

Special ITV Regarding Preparedness Budget Cuts

After receiving our Funding Opportunity Announcement for 2014-2015 which contained a 39% cut in HPP funding we have been working with KDPH leadership on the details of how to manage the program budgets moving forward. The funding cut was larger than we had been told to expect, so we had to revise our plan, adjust the budget to include the 39% cut and have the plan ready in a timely manner since the new fiscal year is close at hand.

After consultation with KHDA leadership the decision was made to provide a statewide announcement via ITV. We have scheduled the ITV for Monday, April 7 starting at 1:30pm ET. This ITV will be recorded and available within a week for staff that may not be able to attend on April 7.

We appreciate your patience while we developed the plan and hope you are able to attend the April 7 ITV. MRN: 1803654. Call in number 502-875-9991, then enter the MRN number followed by the # key.

Local News:

Calloway County Health Department holds Emergency Preparedness Educational Campaign

Submitted by Tina Massengill

Calloway County Health Department's conducted a community-wide educational campaign about emergency preparedness during the month of March and a concerted effort to assist the low-income and indigent community members to become better prepared for an emergency.

Community partners such as the local school district, United Way, veterinarians and local society groups assisted in the campaign by distributing educational e-mails or handouts about inexpensive severe weather preparedness tips and checklists.

The low-income and indigent community members were given educational information and a small emergency kit when they received services at NeedLine, Murray Housing Authority or Calloway County Health Department.



Linda Cavitt, Calloway County Health Department Director and Rita Allen, Clerical Supervisor, review emergency kits and handouts for the HD clients.



GRD MRC and Partners Host Dr. Renee White

The Green River District Medical Reserve Corp in partnership with Daviess County Volunteers Organizations Activity in Disaster (VOAD) and the Green River District Citizen Corps Council hosted Dr. Renee White, Chair of the Joplin area Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC) who shared in Owensboro, KY on **Thursday, March 20th at 6pm** at the Green River District Health Department offices the successes and challenges of a community recovering from the devastating tornado of May 22, 2011. Because of the already established and well-functioning Community Organizations Activity in a Disaster (COAD), the LTRC was able to stand up quickly and effectively to the needs of the Joplin, MO community. This was a free event offered to the Green River District Region and over fifty one people were in attendance.

Green River District Medical Reserve Corps and Health Department Sponsor Blood Drive

Submitted by Margaret Hibbs

Green River District Medical Reserve Corps and Green River District Health Department teamed together to sponsor a Blood Drive. They were successful with 20 people volunteering their time to donate. Blood is essential for life: it carries oxygen and nutrients throughout the body, fights infections, and helps heal wounds. And

everyone has this self-generating resource that can be generously given to others—when and where it is needed most. You or someone you know will need blood — In fact, 1 out of 3 people will need blood in their lifetime. From natural disasters to unforeseen catastrophes, emergency hospital procedures to life-long battles with chronic diseases such as sickle cell, the demand for blood is constant. The supply is not. And since there is no substitute, only volunteer blood donors can roll up their sleeves and save lives.

GRDMRC and GRDHD staff made a difference, by volunteering, they were able to improve and enhance the health and well-being of others in need.



News from the Branch:

ESF8 Conference Update and Funding Information

The ESF8 Conference has been rescheduled for June 9 – 11. The location and general start and end times have not changed. If you have already registered on TRAIN you will NOT need to reregister. If you are unable to attend, you can either update your TRAIN registration by withdrawing or send an email to Amber.Click@ky.gov or KimD.Yazell@ky.gov. If you have not registered yet we anticipate registration will be available by **May 16**. Some of the presenters and classes will change due to scheduling conflicts and all these changes must be entered into TRAIN and continuing Education approved before registration can be made available. If you are registered for a class that is changed, you will be notified.



The June Joint meeting has become part of this conference. Normally our June meeting is devoted to going over and discussing the new preparedness deliverables. In order to provide this information and hold the conference sessions we will offer "Deliverable Sessions" on each day to allow everyone to attend. You only need to attend one session.

Hotel reservations **MUST** be made by **May 27** in order to receive the \$103 per night discounted rate. After this date normal rates will apply and rooms will be on an "as available" basis. The best way to make reservations is to use the following link: <https://aws.paskey.com/event/11167616/owner/2812/home> or by calling 1-888-233-9527 and mentioning the ESF8 Conference.

Some of you have asked about the special travel funding for the conference. This modification is adding funding to all LHD's in the amount listed on your addendum from AFM. The allocation is in Cost Center 821 for ESF8 travel expenses. The balance, after travel expenses, may be used for approved preparedness related activities.

Timing for this is going to need to be quick. You will need to submit travel vouchers to your LHD using cost center 821 as soon as you return in order for your LHD to receive payment before closeout.

New Resource Request board available in WebEOC

Submitted by Drew Chandler

Last fall, KDPH and KYEM stakeholders gathered for the purposes of improving interoperability of the two state agency WebEOC systems. An immediate priority was placed on automating the process for tracking resource requests to state agencies in the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) and Department Operations Centers (DOC). The group talked through the actual request process to document how it worked, and made requirements for the tracking component for WebEOC. Those requirements were used for the foundation of the new Resource Request board which was developed as a joint effort between KDPH and KYEM WebEOC Administrators.

The Resource Request board is designed to be used locally (at the county level) to track requests and document details such as who is providing the resource, who is delivering, and what is the cost. When a request is made that cannot be filled locally or through mutual-aid agreements, the request can be sent to the state with all the history. The local entities can follow the progress of the request as it moves through the SEOC and/or DOC. In the case of District Health Departments, they have visibility of all their counties. This new tool is available for use at both the local and state level. Local Health Departments using the KDPH WebEOC system have access now and County Emergency Managers using the KYEM WebEOC system will have access in the coming weeks. A quick reference guide is also in the works and will be distributed.

Health Risks & Resources Tools

Submitted by Brooke Skelley

In March, KDPH released "Health Risks & Resources Across Kentucky," a new set of tools for public health preparedness in Kentucky. These tools were created as a resource for local public health agencies and partners. A jurisdictional assessment of health vulnerabilities and assets was conducted in order to fulfill Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Capability 1: Community Preparedness. Using information gathered in the assessment, three tools were developed: [Health Risks & Resources Map](#), FAN Populations Board ([WebEOC](#)), and ESF-8 Resources Map ([WebEOC](#)).

The tools include health status indicators and health-related locations. The goal of these tools is to provide information that will increase awareness of health risks and resources across the Commonwealth. Information is available in both table and map formats to suit a variety of purposes. Data from these resources could be used for preparedness planning, strategic planning, accreditation process, grant writing, and other purposes. Detailed instructions and data sources are available. For assistance, please contact Brooke Skelley at brooke.skelley@ky.gov.

By increasing awareness of needs and resources across the Commonwealth, KDPH aims to strengthen preparedness, response, and recovery efforts in Kentucky.

Training - Know How

CERT Train the Trainer – Various dates and locations

See attachment sent with this newsletter for dates, locations and registration information

ICS300 – Ashland, KY

Registration on TRAIN at 1048712
Contact John Hunt

ICS400 ITV – Barren River, Lincoln Trail DHD and Lincoln CHD

Registration on TRAIN Course ID1048540
7:30 AM - 3:30 PM CT – Barren River District Health Department
Contact Jerrod Wright/Mike Harmon

ICS300 – Floyd County LHD

TRAIN ID 1049744
Contact: Kim Hall

MGT Public Information WMD/Terrorism

Registration on TRAIN, Course ID 1048554
Contact Mike Harmon or Barbara Fox

ICS400 – Floyd County LHD

TRAIN Number pending
Contact: Kim Hall

ICS400 – Ashland, KY

Registration on TRAIN at 1048712
Contact John Hunt

Team Approach to Foodborne Outbreak Response (PER-298) – Floyd County

Contact: Kim Hall or John Hunt

April & May

April 8 – 10

April 16-17

April 23 – 25

May 6 - 7

May 22 – 23

May 28 - 29

August 26 – 27

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Events and Exercises

Special ITV regarding Preparedness Budget Cuts

1:30 – 2:30pm ET, MRN 1803654

East KY Preparedness Coordinators Meeting – Floyd County LHD

Contact: Kim Hall, John Hunt or Jarrod Crase

Tri-State SNS/CRI Exercise

Contact: Shannon Gregory or Lloyd Peniston

KYEM Communications Exercise

Contact: Grant Gillion

Greenup County LDH – National Drug Take Back

Contact John Hunt

Region 15 N and S Planners meeting – Clark CHD

9:00 – 11:00. Contact: Rebecca Hardin or Jason Dotson

April 7

April 16

April 16 – 17

April 21 - 24

April 26

May 29

Holiday Reminder

KDPH and most Health Departments will be closed on the following day:

½ Day - April 18 – Good Friday

Newsletter Submissions

The next issue of **Preparedness at a Glance** will be sent out May 1, 2014. Submissions for the newsletter should be sent to KimD.Yazell@ky.gov by April 18.

Upcoming Events

June 2014

Capstone 2014
HMPAC Capstone TTX
MTEP @ Capstone

July 2014

Mass Casualty Incident TTX

HAN Alert Confirmation Rates

Local Public Health

- Alert sent to 272 roles 436 users
- Role Groups Alerted:
 - Local Health Directors
 - Local Public Health Preparedness Planners
 - Satellite Radio Contacts
 - Regional Epidemiologists
- Overall Confirmation Rate: 62% 272/436
- Confirmed within 1 Hour: 61.4% 268/436
- Confirmed after 1 Hour: + 4 users, + 0.6%, 272/436
- Did not confirm: 164 users, 38%

KDPH (State/Regional)

- Alert sent to 78 persons
- Role Groups Alerted:
 - DPH COOP Management Team
 - DPH Department Operations Center
- Overall Confirmation Rate: 77% 59/77 +4% from Nov Drill
- Confirmed within 1 Hour: 77% 59/77 +9% from Nov Drill
- Confirmed on after 1 Hour: 77% 59/77 +4% from Nov Drill
- Did not confirm: 23% 18/77